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Know all men by these presents that I James Osborn of Kennebec in the County of York
with consideration to me paid by Saphet Gilman of Bangs the receipt whereof I hereby
acknowledge have given grant sold and assigned and do hereby give, grant and assign all
convey unto Saphet Gilman of Bangs all my right, title and interest and to the heirs
Certificate and the land to be conveyed in pursuance thereof hereby authorizing him to execute
the Deed thereof in his own name. Witness my hand and seal this 22nd day of August
A. D. 1850. Signed sealed and delivered in presence of

Isaac R. Clark
Personally appeared James Osborn
and acknowledged the above instrument to him
signed to be his free act and deed

Isaac R. Clark

STATE OF MAINE.

LAND OFFICE,

Augusta, March 29, 1836.

N. 261,
I HEREBY CERTIFY, That Thomas Boston
of Kennebecport in the County of York

by declaration sworn to on the 4th day of Aug. last,

(See claim ³⁹⁷ N. 261.)

and other accompanying evidence has satisfactorily proved his claim
to the benefits of a "Resolve in favor of certain officers and soldiers of
the Revolutionary war and the widows of deceased officers and soldiers,"
approved March 17, A. D. 1835, and that "THE LAWFUL HOLDER" of this
certificate is entitled, under the provisions of a Resolve additional to said
Resolve, approved March 16, 1836, to TWO HUNDRED ACRES OF
LAND.

John W. Ferguson Land Agent of Maine.

Attest & countersigned,
M. Martz

Know all men that I Thomas Boston within named, do hereby transfer make over and assign to John Osborn of Kennebunk, or his assigns, in consideration of forty dollars all the right title and Interest I have in and to the within Certificate, and the land to be conveyed in virtue of it and do hereby constitute said Osborn as the lawful holder of the within Certificate - Witness my hand

the day of September thousand eight hundred and

Witness James Osborn Thomas Boston
James Osborn Jr. his Mark

York G. Kennebunk April 11 1836 - Then personally appeared Thomas Boston, and acknowledged the above Instrument to be his free act and deed before me James Osborn Jr Justice of the Peace

Know all men by these presents that I John Osborn of Kennebunk in the County of York State of Maine in consideration of one hundred dollars, to me paid the receipt whereof I hereby acknowledge have given granted sold and assigned and do hereby give grant assign and convey unto James Osborn of Kennebunk all my right title and interest in and unto the within certificate and the land to be conveyed in pursuance thereof hereby authorizing him to receive the deed thereof in his own name - Witness my hand and seal this twenty fifth day of August 1833
Signed sealed and delivered John Osborn
in presence of
Signed sealed and delivered
in presence of J. E. Osborn

York County No. 10
filed and docketed
the 19th day of Sept
1833
James Osborn Jr Justice of the Peace

York ss. Aug. 25 1833. Personally appeared John Osborn and acknowledged the above instrument by him subscribed to be his free act and deed before me Edward Osborn Justice of the Peace

Know all men by these presents that I Japheth Gibbons of Bangor in the County of Penobscot for a valuable consideration to me paid by Jonathan G. Cushing of Bangor the receipt whereof I do hereby acknowledge have given granted sold and assigned and do hereby give grant assign and convey unto said Cushing all my right title and interest in and to the within certificate and the land to be conveyed in pursuance thereof hereby authorizing him to receive the deed thereof in his own name - Witness my hand and seal this sixth day of October A.D. 1833.

Signed sealed and delivered Japheth Gibbons
in presence of
Alfred Wakefield

Penobscot ss. Oct. 6 1833. Personally appeared Japheth Gibbons and acknowledged the above instrument by him signed and sealed to be his free act and deed before me Alfred Wakefield Justice of the Peace

The consideration above mentioned is the sum of fifty dollars received by me of J. G. Cushing Japheth Gibbons

Know all men by these presents that I J. A. Cushing of Bangor in the County of Penobscot and State of Maine for a valuable consideration to me by ~~Bradbury C. Hill~~ of Bangor in the State of Rhode Island the receipt whereof I hereby acknowledge have given granted sold and assigned and do hereby give grant and assign unto him the said Bradbury C. Hill all my right title and interest in and to the ~~land~~ Certificate No 261 and the land to be conveyed in pursuance thereof hereby authorizing him to receive the deed thereof in his own name and for his own sole use and benefit -

Witness my hand and seal this ninth day of July A.D. 1864
 Washington July 9, 1864

Witness J. M. B. B. B.

J. A. Cushing

John H. B. B. B.

District of Columbia

City and County of Washington

On this ninth day of July A.D. 1864 before me the Subscribed

Know all men by these presents that I Bradbury C. Hill of Bangor in the County of Penobscot and State of Maine for a valuable consideration to me by ~~Bradbury C. Hill~~ of Bangor in the State of Rhode Island the receipt whereof I hereby acknowledge have given granted sold and assigned and do hereby give grant and assign unto him the said Bradbury C. Hill all my right title and interest in and to the ~~land~~ Certificate No 261 and the land to be conveyed in pursuance thereof hereby authorizing him to receive the deed thereof in his own name and for his own sole use and benefit -

Witness my hand and seal this sixth day of July A.D. 1864

Witness

Bradbury C. Hill

Attest J. E. Ransom

Penobscot Co July 16 1864. Personally appeared ~~Bradbury C. Hill~~ Bradbury C. Hill and acknowledged the above instrument by him signed and sealed to be his part and deed.

Before me
 James E. Ransom Justice of the Peace

Certificate of Land

and Bradbury C. Hillman Assignments
 of same to J. A. Cushing



District of Columbia

City and County of Washington

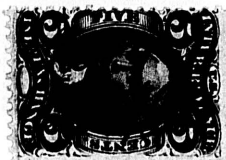
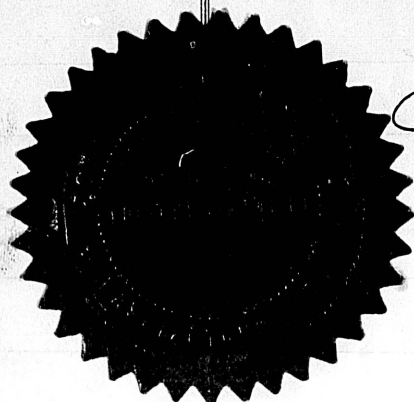
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On this Ninth day of July AD 1864 before me
the Subscriber John S. Hittinghead a Commissioner
of the State of Maine in and for the District of
Columbia commissioned and qualified to take
the acknowledgment of Deeds etc in said
District to be used and recorded in said
State personally appeared J. A. Cushing
to me personally known to be the individual
named in and who executed the annexed
assignment of Certificate, and he acknow-
-ledged the annexed assignment to be his
free act and deed before me—

In witness where of I have hereunto set my
hand and affixed my official Seal
this 9th day of July 1864—

John S. Hittinghead

Commissioner of the State of Maine
in the District of Columbia



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Commonwealth of Massachusetts, York, ss. On this 2^d day of July
1818, before me, the subscriber, Chief Justice of the Circuit Court
of Common Pleas for the first Eastern District, in said Common-
wealth, personally appears Thomas Boston resident in Amherst
in said County of York and State aforesaid, who being by me
first duly sworn according to law, doth on his oath make the
following declaration, in order to obtain the provision made by the
Late Act of Congress, entitled "An Act to provide for certain persons
engaged in the Land and Naval Service of the United States in the
Revolutionary war." That he the said Thomas (fifty eight years of
age) on the 19th day of May 1781 enlisted as a private soldier
in the Continental Army for the term of three years, and im-
mediately repaired to West Point, and from thence to Munk
Point, from thence to Fort Mifflin and other places and was dis-
charged at Fort Mifflin the first of July 1784 - That he was attached
to the Company commanded by Capt. Williams of the Regiment Com-
manded by Col Sprout of the Massachusetts Line, that he continued
in the Company doing his duty as a soldier until the said term
of service had expired, that the discharge which he then received is
now lost. (And in further evidence of the service of the above named
Thomas Boston Johnson Littlefield and Edwards Hutton, two disinter-
ested credible witnesses, personally appearing, and being by me first duly
sworn according to law, they upon their oaths do say, that the above
named Thomas Boston did serve as a private soldier in the Continental
Army in Capt. Williams' Company, Col Sprout's Regt from the time of
his enlistment in (May 1781) until the term of his enlistment had
expired, as he has before stated, & amine & do sworn before me the
subscriber this 15 day of February A.D. 1819. (Signed) Bng. Greene)
And that he is reduced in his circumstances and stands in need
of assistance from his Country for support, and that he has no other
evidence (now in his power) of his said service. Sworn to and de-
clared before me the day and year aforesaid.

(Signed) Bng. Greene

I Benjamin Greene, Chief Justice of the Circuit Court of Common
Pleas for the first Eastern District, in the Commonwealth of Mas-
sachusetts, do certify, that it appears to my satisfaction that the

Said Thomas did serve in the revolutionary war, as stated in the preceding declaration against the common enemy, and I do now transmit the proceedings and testimony taken and held before me to the Secretary for the Department of War, pursuant to the directions of the aforementioned Act of Congress. And in reduced circumstances and in need of assistance from his country for support in testimony whereof I have herewith set my hand and affixed the seal of said Court at Wells this second day of July in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and eighteen

(Signed)

Benj. Greene.

I hereby certify that the foregoing page number one and two are truly copied from the originals in file in the Pension Office War Department; and I do further certify that it appears from a list of final settlement certificates issued to Colonel Sprouts Regiment, Massachusetts Line, by John Pierce Esq Pay Master General and Comptroller of the Army accounts of the United States, that Thomas Boston received two Certificates dated 1 Jan'y 1784. one for \$4.86/10 and the other for \$58. both due on the 1st of Jan'y 1783. There is also deposited in said Office a list of final settlement certificates issued to said Col. Sprouts Regiment which became due in November 1783, but the name of Thomas Boston does not appear thereon.

By J. Beale

Nov. 4. 1835.

I certify that Benj. L. Beale, who is employed by the same Agent of the State of Maine, under a Resolution of the Legislature of that State, approved by the Governor on the 17. March 1835, to obtain from the Pension Office, certain documents and records, has made as full an examination in the case of Thomas Boston, as the Books and Papers of said Office will allow, according to the best of my judgment and belief. Dated at the Pension Office, War Department the fourth day of November one thousand eight hundred and thirty-five.

J. L. Edwards

Comptroller of Pensions

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Thomas Boston
Application

Recd. Aug. 11, 1835,

Submitted Certificate
N^o. 261. J^o. March
29, 1836,

Sent to J^o. J^o. Apr 2 1836

J Osborn J

I *Thomas Boston* of *Kennebunk port* in the County of *York* and State of Maine, aged *seventy five* years, do, upon oath, declare in order to obtain the benefit of a Resolve of the Legislature of Maine, passed March 17, 1835, entitled a "Resolve in favor of certain Officers and Soldiers of the Revolutionary War, and the Widows of the deceased Officers and Soldiers," that I enlisted *in April in 1774 for three years in Capt. Williams's Company in the Regiment Commanded by Col. Sprout, and served three years two months and was honorably discharged at West point*

I do further on oath declare that at the time of my said enlistment, I was an inhabitant of *Wells* in the *State of Maine*

and was on the 17th day of March, 1835, have been ever since, and am now an inhabitant of the State of Maine, residing in *Kennebunk port* aforesaid, where I have resided for *forty five* years past. That neither I, nor any one claiming under me, has ever received a grant of Land, or money in lieu thereof from the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, for my said service, or any other service during the Revolutionary War, and that I am justly entitled to the benefit of said Resolve.

Test James Osborn *Thomas Boston*
Mark

STATE OF MAINE.

York ss. Subscribed and sworn to this *fourth* day of *August* 1835
BEFORE ME, *James Osborn* Justice of the Peace.

KNOW all Men by these Presents, That I

Thomas Boston of *Kennebunk* in the County of *York* and State of Maine, being the same person by whom the preceding declaration was made, do hereby constitute and appoint *James Osborn* of *Kennebunk* my true and lawful Attorney for me and in my name, to receive from the Land Agent of the State of Maine, such certificate as he may issue to me, in virtue of a resolve of the said State, passed March 17, 1835, entitled a "Resolve in favor of certain Officers and Soldiers of the Revolutionary War, and the Widows of the deceased Officers and Soldiers," to the benefit of which Resolve I am entitled. And my said Attorney is hereby authorized and empowered upon the receipt of said certificate, for me in my name, to execute such receipt or acknowledgment therefor, as I might, were I personally present.

HEREBY ratifying and confirming whatever my Attorney shall do by *me* hereof, Witness my hand and seal this

fourth day of *August* A. D. 1835

SIGNED, SEALED AND DELIVERED
IN PRESENCE OF

James Osborn

Thomas Boston
Mark

STATE OF MAINE.

York ss. Be it known, that on this *fourth* day of *August* 1835, before the subscriber, a Justice of the Peace for said County, personally appeared *Thomas Boston* above named, and acknowledged the foregoing Power of Attorney by him signed, to be his free act and deed.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto subscribed my name the day and year last above mentioned.

Barnabas Palmer Justice of the Peace.